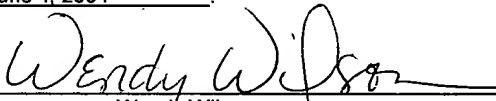




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<p>In re application of:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DUONG, et al.</p> <p>Serial No.: 09/904,175</p> <p>Filing Date: 11 JULY 2001</p> <p>For: DEVICES AND METHODS FOR BIOCHIP MULTIPLEXING</p>	<p>Examiner: FORMAN, BETTY J</p> <p>Group Art Unit: 1634</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</u></p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence and its listed enclosures is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail addressed to Commissioner for Patents; P.O. Box 1450; Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 4, 2004</p> <p>Signed  Wendy Wilson</p>
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Following is Applicants' response to the Office Action mailed 5 February 2004. The response is accompanied by a Petition for a one-month extension of time and the requisite fee. A response is therefore due Monday, 6 June 2004, making this a timely response. Please amend the application as indicated on the following pages, and consider the remarks herein. While Applicant believes that no further fees are due at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due as a result of filing this amendment, including additional claims fees not already paid for, or other fees that have not been separately paid, to Deposit Account 50-2319 (Order No. 463037-219 [A-68718-3/RMS/RMK/JML]).